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Old Home Day

Come Out And Socialize!

New Salem-July 16th

Wendell -August 6th

See pg.8 for details

Wendell Democrats

Wendell Town Demacratic Committee held meetings in May and JUne with a subsequant meeting to be held in August.

New officers elected are Chairperson: Kathy Becker; Secratary: Jean Weber; Tresurer: Parker Cleveland; Delegate: Emma Cappelluzzo; Altenative Delegate: David Walsh.

Goals were discussed and plans for a fundraiser for Old Home Day were put in place. Some of the issues discussed were Route 2, our functions and goals as Demacrats, need for increased information, toward that end a program committee was set up to invite an important local politician to a meeting to be held in August. This meeting will be advertised.

There are also in the works to have a panel discussion about Route 2, The upgrade versus the south bank highway through the state forest.

A telephone tree has been set up for the Demacratic meetings, if any one would like to be informed of the meetings who is not a registered Demacrat please let us know at Old Home Day.

Notice

The Wendell Planning Board needs one more member. Any one with an interest in this important position, please call Tom Wetherby at 544-6146, or come to the Planning Board meeting, 7:30 on July 18 at the Wendell Townhall.

New Salem Declared Nuke Free Zone

New Salem declared itself a nuclear free zone during its annual Town Meeting held June 13. After spirited discussion, the meeting voted "That no nuclear weapon shall be produced, transported, stored, processed, disposed of or used within New Salem," as well as to ban materials and equipment used for those purposes.

The town also voted for articles expressing its opposition to any future diversion of the Connecticut or Millers Rivers into the Quabbin Reservoir and its support for the immediate control and reduction of acid rain.

Among various appropriations measures, New Salem's payment of $109,000.00 to Mahar Regional High School generated several critical comments from members of the Finance Committee. School Superintendent, Carl Knowlton, discussed the budget appropriation, which represented approximately a $14,000.00 increase over last year. Knowlton attributed the increase to a loss of revenue in other areas, but Finance Committeeman Mike Jewett pointed out that most of the increase was due to a 9% pay raise for teachers. The Meeting approved the appropriation based on the assumption that state funds will be returned through the school system, allowing Mahar to reduce New Salem's assessment. New Salem also voted to raise and appropriate $40,865.00 to the New Salem Wendell Union Elementary School (Swift River School).

Street lights, a perennially thorny issue, appeared on the warrant, but at the suggestion of Selectman Richard Shortt, they were passed over to allow further study. Debate over the lights usually concerns their cost-about $200.00 a year-in the wake of budget-limiting Proposition 2½ versus safety considerations.

The regular meeting was preceded by a Special Town Meeting, which dealt primarily with appropriations. One complicated article, which was passed, allowed the Town of Rowe to end its participation in the Frank-

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Local People Make Church Grow

The Wendell Church has been open again for a year now. Our thanks to all who have helped to make it a success. It is especially nice to see local people taking initiative in the services. During May and June we heard from Charles Thompson Smith, David Froble, Christine Sullivan, Ida Sherman, Shane Devine and Joshua Jay "Waffles". This list does not include the quiet helpers who clean the building, make repairs, provide refreshments, bring flowers, and keep the finances straight. Thanks to all. We hope this community involvement continues to grow. The church is the people.

In order to let people know what is happening when, we are setting up a tentative schedule.

Every Sunday at 5:30 P.M. Ida Sherman will lead a hymn sing before the regular service.

First Sunday of the Month at 6:00 P.M. Hymn sing with open prayer and discussion.

Second Sunday at 6:00 P.M. Communion Service with Malcolm Turner speaking.

Third Sunday a Guest Speaker or local resident conducting worship.

Fourth Sunday, Malcolm Turner conducting service.

This schedule is subject to change depending on availability of participants. Our guest speaker on the third or fifth Sunday will be Emmanuel Huck from Dwight Chapel in Belchertown. Watch local posting places for more information.

NEW ☆ Town Directory INSIDE

Where is Town Meeting?

After such a sparsely attended Annual Town Meeting it is difficult to know where Wendell voters stand on issues both large and small. To town officials it is sometimes discouraging to have their many hours of work rewarded with such scant attention.

The short attendance at town meet- will be the subject of an upcoming article in the Post. The purpose of this column is to point out some recent fruits of past town meeting labors.

In 1975, the Annual Town Meeting passed an ordinance prohibiting the transportation of radioactive materials within the borders of Wendell, the first town in the nation to do so With much fanfare several towns in our area have declared themselves "nuclear free zones" during the past year.

Several years ago town meeting voters passed regulations concerning the use of herbicides and pesticides in the town. Only recently, the selectboard was engaged in strenuous legal negotiations with the major area utility companies in an effort to enforce the will of the voters. Many readers may recall that the Mass. Attorney Generals office cast a jaundiced eye on this attempt to protect the health and welfare of our citizens.

But recently the Attorney General has relented. While still opposing town bylaws to check spraying, he has given a nod to the power of local health boards to do the same job. And the idea is catching on. In Leverett, town officials are taking action to stop the sprayingof herbicides along the railroad right-of-way. The P.D. in Florida, MA arrested a man for spraying a power line that ran through that town.

Closer to home, town officials and other citizens are back at work trying to solve the Rt.2 dilemma. Without the support of voters given in 1979, our town's position would be much more difficult to pursue.

To be sure, town meeting can sometimes be irksome-- and confusing, too, even for town officials, they just practice maintaining their cool. But it is always serious business. The purpose is to decide -- what to do and how to be. In this day it can be a rare opportunity.

by Michael Idoine

New Salem Library News

New Salem Public Library's Saturday afternoon "Computer Day" in April was a huge success with over 100 people attending from New Salem and surrounding towns. The Library's trustee, Jack Jewett, masterminded the affair. He solicited 7 townspeople, including himself, to demonstrate their microcomputers which ranged from an inexpensive TI-99 and Vic-20 to a more complex Apple II and Attache.

A schedule was posted so that people could pick from such esoteric choices as patterns from music, a program for weaving and computer generated patterns to more practical applications such as word processing, spreadsheet accounting, data handling and making pie charts. The computers attracted a variety of age groups. Our oldest visitor was a senior citizen of 93 years who had just acquired his own computer and was anxious to gather more information. At the other end of the spectrum grade schoolers enjoyed some basic program writing and had a blast playing computer games. Some people stayed the full three hours absorbing every bit of computer information they could get their hands on. The Library staff and trustees wish to thank the participants: Jack Jewett, Mike Jewett, David Cramer, Fred Lenherr, Dana Crosby, Spencer Marshall and Ted Voutselas for sharing their knowledge and computers with us.

This summer, the New Salem Public Library is offering, "Read A Rainbow Children's Summer Program," for ages K-6 from July 13-Aug. 17th. Activities will be an afternoon film program, poetry writing classes, book contracts and an end of the program party. The film program, to start things off, will feature three hours of films for children of all ages. At this time, children may begin their book contracts. What Color is Poetry, a listening and writing workshop for children, given by Jane Marshall, explores the endless possibility of poetry, and improves listening habits, writing skills and imagination. Classes will be at the New Salem Library, July 20, 27, and August 3, and 10, 1½ hour sessions, Wednesday mornings, 10-11:30 a.m. Registration for book contracts and poetry program begins June 29th-July 13th.

The Quabbin exhibit, entitled Visions of a Valley: the Lost Towns of the Quabbin, will be displayed at the library July 6-16. The exhibit consists of 13 hanging panels plus 4 photomurals. Of the 13 panels, two photos of the peripheral towns affected by the Quabbin, one panel shows the construction in progress, and there is one panel of gravestones from cemeteries which were flooded. Each of the towns of Dana, Enfield, Greenwich and Prescott has two panels of photos and maps. There are approximately 70 photographs and a number of maps. The exhibit can be seen during library hours, which are Wed. 10-8 and Sat. 9-2. Saturday, July 16th, Old Home Day, the exhibit will be available until 5:00 p.m. During the day Alan Young, author of North of Quabbin and Thomas Conuel, author of Accidental Wilderness will be at the library to chat with visitors and have their books on sale to be autographed.

Ellie Voutselas
Librarian

Fourth Annual Summer Film Festival

All movies will be shown on Fridays at 7:30 p.m. in the basement of the library. Admission is free; seating is on a limited basis.

JUNE 17-ANTONIA: PORTRAIT OF A WOMAN, one hour, color, portrait of Antonia Brico, one of the few women conductors of a major symphony orchestra. GEORGIA O'KEEFE, one hour, color, portrait of the famous American painter.

JULY 1-WHO'S ON FIRST, one half hour, black & white, the famous Abbott and Costello fast-paced baseball routine. KING OF THE HILL, one hour, color, while following the career of pitcher Ferguson Jenkins during the 1972 season, this film profiles the game of baseball, conveying the frustrations and satisfactions of the game.

JULY 15-THE GOLD RUSH, eighty minutes, black & white, made in 1925, this film was produced and directed by Charlie Chaplin. He also had the starring role in this tragicomedy set on the Riviera, where a family of swindlers prey on rich women. SHORT FEATURES: JAZZ AND JITTERS and OLD EMERSON, seventeen minutes, black & white, these two films have songs and dance from the thirties.

JULY 29-CAT BALLOU, ninety-six minutes, color, this rambunctious western comedy, made in 1965, stars Lee Marvin and Jane Fonda. SHORT FEATURE: SYNCOPATED SWING, six minutes, black & white, music and dance from the forties.

AUGUST 5-AFRICAN QUEEN, one hundred minutes, color, John Huston directed Katharine Hepburn and Humphrey Bogart in this classic from 1952. The captain of a small river steamer and the prim sister of a missionary begin a long journey in the boat away from a village that has just been destroyed by the Germans.

AUGUST 6-OLD QUABBIN VALLEY, will show during Old Home Day.

The following is a schedule of the movies for children to be shown on Saturdays in the library. Admission is free; seating is on a limited basis.

JUNE 18, 10-11 A.M., Thumbelina, Rumplestiltskin Picture for Harold's Room and Paul Bunyan.

JULY 2, 10-11 A.M., Make Way for Ducklings, Harold and the Purple Crayon, Goldilocks and the Three Bears, Hansel and Gretel and Harold's Fairy Tale.

JULY 16, 10-11 A.M., That Mouse, Curious George Rides a Bike, Pancho and Moonbird.

JULY 30, 10-11 A.M., The Velveteen Rabbit, Where the Wild Things Are and Smile for Auntie.

AUGUST 6, during Old Home Day afternoon, about 45 minutes of films.

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lin Tech. School. Because of Rowe's relative wealth compared to other participating towns, it was keeping state reimbursement funds lower than what they might be otherwise. Rowe will continue to send students, but the amount of money going to the school will increase.

An issue calling for the Town to resolve unclear boundary lines between town lands and New Salem Academy was referred to committee. Some residents expressed concern about loss of town lands, and the committee to be appointed by moderator Robert Henderson is charged with designing a solution agreeable to both the Town and the New Salem Academy Trustees.

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Road Alert, Rte. 2

by Michael Idoine

While the desire and enthusiasm of some local officials runs high for building a new highway through the Wendell State Forest, the outcome of the project is still uncertain. The cost of the new road now stands at almost $25M. The funds available are scarce.

On the other hand, Governor Dukakis has been persuaded that the new road might have some good effect on our areas aching economy.Even so, he has not solved the problem of the source of money. The Mass DPW budget is already committed to a list of projects that is five times the $34M in federal aid that Massachusetts gets yearly to build primary highways.

Wendell voters have supported proposals to upgrade the existing highway. The Mass. DPW has looked at several options for achieving improve - ments to the presents roadway. At this time they are not being actively considered because of opposition from the Town of Erving and other county officials. Such improvements would cost $2.5M.

The Wendell Concerned Citizens is working with town officials to see if the pieces of this puzzle can be put together to resolve this long-standing problem. Since January, WCC has met and talked with the Governor's staff and cabinet officials and with officials at the Mass. DPW. Their current efforts center around finding information and common ground that would bring all the parties involved to a realistic solution.

The solution to this problem will require a significant investment of time and effort, more than town officials alone can provide. If you can contribute time to organize meetings, fundraising, mailings, contact Michael Idoine (4-2623) or Ann Zak (4-8511).

Press Release

Representative William Benson (Gnfld-D) of Franklin County announces that Ruth Wynkoop, a Greenfield Community College student and resident of Wendell is currently doing a summer internship with him at the State House.

The internship, under the direction of Dr. Herb Steeper of G.C.C., will consist of accompanying Representative Benson to the State House in Boston to observe the mechanics of the House of Representatives and the many aspects of the job of being a representative.

Ruth is majoring in American Studies and will apply the internship toward her degree.

Outdoors in Wendell

"Gone Fishin'"

ACID RAIN UPDATE - WE NEED HELP!

by Myron Becker

The Acid Rain Monitering Program (ARM) is a scientific study conducted by a grass roots network of approximately 800 volunteers in Mass. who collect water samples from lakes and streams in their area. The samples are analyzed in laboratories and the data compiled by the Water Resources Research Center at U. Mass. The data will give empirical credence to the contentions of the effects of acid precipitation to our life systems. The samples are taken monthly on the third Sunday of each month in the same location of each water body. Help is needed for the collection of samples in the Wendell area. Any individual with transportation and an interest in doing this 45 min. task once a month should call me, Myron Becker at 544-2086, weekdays.

Four streams in Wendell are being monitored. Below is a chart showing the results for April, May, and June. The sensitivity of a body of water to acidity is based on the alkalinity of acid neutraling capacity of the water. This depends on how much disolved calcium carbonate (lime) is present, indicated on the chart by a number showing how many milligrams of calcium carbonate are in a liter of the water. This figure is more important than the actual Ph (acidity/alkalinity) as it indicates the water's ability to combat the effects of acid rain. A.R.M. uses the following catagories based on the alkalinity of the water:

critical	0-2	Water in critical condition is not able to neutralize itself from the effects of an acid rainfall and is currently undergoing acidification.
endangered	2-5	
highly sensitive	5-10	
sensitive	10-20	
not sensitive	20 mg/liter	

Ph = acidity/alkalinity. On a 14 point scale, 7 is neutral. Below 7 is acidic. A drop of one point on the scale is 10 times more acidic.

STREAM		APRIL	MAY	JUNE
Osgood Brook	Alkalinity	0	.9	1.6
	Ph	5.16	5.58	6.15
Whetstone Brook	Alk.	0	.4	.9
	Ph	5.10	5.48	6.0
Mormon Hollow Brook	Alk.	0	.3	1.2
	Ph	5.09	5.39	6.0
Lyons Brook	Alk.	.5	.9	2.1
	Ph	5.40	5.94	6.5

Wendell State Forest Concervation workers Jay Spadaforia and Stan Rogalski are surrounded by laurel in full bloom. They suggest that people can enjoy this blossom season by a walk up to the look-outs

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Tues. 2-4 pm	Tues. 2-4 pm
Wed. 12-4 pm, 6-8 pm	6-8 pm
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Sat. 10 am - Noon	6-8 pm

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Selectmen's Minutes

Wendell Town Hall

April 26, 1983

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chariman Ted Lewis with the full Board present.

7:00 p.m. Bid opening on four wheel drive front end loaders.

Bernardston Equip. Corp.-(John Deere)
New Mod. 444C-$33,939.00
New Mod. 544C-$37,496.00

Graves Equip.-(International)
1980 Mod.515-95 hp (1278 hrs)-$21,298.00
1982 Mod.515B-100 hp (24 hrs)-$30,779.00

Tyler Equip. Corp.
Clark Mod.350-$34,428.00

Price on all machines listed includes trade in of our 1973 loader.

No award will be made until after the town meeting.

Anne Diemand informed the Board that "Old Home Day" will be on August 6th. Asked the Board to discuss the use of the Town Hall at their next meeting.

Set road side trash pick-up day for Sat. May 14th.

Donald Pugh of Locke Hill #1 stated that he is opposed to the proposed school bus turn-around at the intersection of Locke Hill #1 and Locke Hill #2.

He doesn't like the idea of the proposed construction at this intersection. It was agreed that no paving will be done here unless it proves necessary after the first year.

Ken Simos reported on information that he gathered concerning loans for the Town Garage/Fire Station.

Clerk Harry Williston reported that New England Power Co. is in the process of cutting trees along their Wendell Depot Tap right-of-way.

Michael Idoine stopped in to get information on the Town Meeting.

Ted reported that the Erving Selectmen will be setting up a meeting to discuss the progress on the bridge reconstruction and repair.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

May 31, 1983

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Ted Lewis with Selectman Jim Slavas and Clerk Harry Williston present.

Charles Winn, our Insurance Agent, was present to go over the Statement of Values with the Board.

The weekly payroll and bill warrant was approved.

Asked about insurance rate for fire and theft of new loader. Rate is approx. $.50/$100 of value.

Voted to increase the values on the buildings by 4%.

William Allen of Tighe & Bond brought a joint letter with the Town of Erving to be signed requesting funds to replace the Arch Street Bridge. 100% State funded for construction. 100% Towns for engineering. -50% Wendell/50% Erving.

Signed Special Election warrant.

Discussed appointments for the FY beginning July 1, 1983.

Discussed sending a newsletter to all voters informing them of the upcoming Special Election.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Harry Williston, Clerk

Mike Hannahan takes a short break while on his 560 mile walk for the Massachusettes Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. His trek will take him from Bostor to Salem, Pittsfield, back down to Hyannis and back to Boston. He was met and accompannied through many areas of his walk by school children. His goal is to inform people about MSPCC and hopes to get people involved with the society. While Mike passed through Wendell he stayed with the Sogards on Wendell Depot Road.

On Being Healthy

Maryvonne Kutsch

Most of us know the feeling of not being able to afford the luxury of going to a doctor these days. We tend to deal with small emergencies which might draw others to the hospital and even take precautions to lessen the probability of needing a doctor.

Some irritation is bound to be felt. Why is a doctor a luxury? Why are we sometimes well before we can get an appointment? Why does the basic advice of the doctor close or identical to our own "gut" feelings on the matter?

The answers to the first two questions are tied up in the problems of the American medical system, but when considering the third question, I feel that we are capable of caring for many of our health problems. I will take this a step further and say that we probably create alot of our problems by expecting that someone else might be more efficient than ourselves in dealing with the maintenence of our bodies.

I am not saying that we should disregard the benefits of knowledge and technology , but that we should not depend on them to the point that we are not getting our "moneys worth" unless some medication has been prescribed, etc. We should not decide that our every ache, pain or lump is cancer or some other dread disease, or that or that we will gain some attention or sympathy that we need by something proving to be serious. I really believe that one's attitude plays a great role in a healthy body.

Bear in mind that the human body is incredibly capable of providing for its own needs. There seems to be some neccesity, though, that the human plays an active role in the process. My advice is, that if one is under the care of a physician that one keeps right on top of the situation, asking questions, etc. and that in general one should maintain a positive, "healthy" attitude , relax, and enjoy life.

Wendell's Music Scene

by David Boatwright

MUSIC

The season has arrived when musicians are their busiest and fans are anxious to be out listening to their favorite performers. Some of our best local artists will be working in the area-be sure and catch them!

The Warwick Inn will feature "live" music every weekend throughout the summer, with Loose Caboose on July 1st, and Outer Space Band on July 15th. Also featured will be Atlanta Connection on July 2, Token on July 3, and Uncle Jack on July 8 & 9.

Space bass-man and sound engineer extrordinaire Klondike is very busy at some of the best Festivals of the summer. These include the Kool Jazz Festival in D.C., Philly and Carnegie Hall in New York, which feature, among many, the Crusaders, Judy Mowatt, Spyro Gyra, Miles Davis, Ella Fitzgerald, and Dizzy Gillespie. Klon has just completed Pete Seeger's 6th annual Hudson River Festival in New York, a weekend of music, craft exhibits, and puppeteers, celebrated on the banks of the river. We hope Klon will be keeping Kool this summer!

Another Spaceman, Wailin' Dave Robinson, will be gigging regularly at the Separate Entrance and the 1704, both in South Deerfield. He and his band, the Blue Dogs, hope to record a demo at Wendell Studios later this summer. Dave is also exploring the possibility of dee-jaying a BLUES radio program on WRSI, if time slot for the show becomes available.

Cuts from "Pianoworks", Steven Schoenberg's very popular album, can be heard often on WRSI and other area stations. It is available at most record stores on Quabbin Records. In person, you can see him July 17th at the Iron Horse in Northampton, and in Charlemont at the Church, where he will give a concert of improvisation as part of the Mohawk Trail Concert Series. Steve has also written music for a musical entitled "Quabbin", from a book by Dorothy Johnson, (also of New Salem), which will be performed July 29 & 30 at U. Mass.

The Caboose will be spending most of the summer on the road at clubs and resort areas throughout New England. A high point is sure to be the New England Solar Powered Arts and Energy Fair, July 16 & 17 in Laconia, N.H. at the Gunstock Ski Area. They will share the bill with the I-Tones, and Rory Block on July 16. They are also playing a reggae festival on July 24, at Bucksteep Manor in Washington, Mass., with Black Sheep and China Doll. The Caboose LP "Dealer's World" is available at Dynamite Records and other valley stores.

More African roots music was played on Wendell Common on June 16th by Bamidele Osumarea as he drummed for a dozen dancers taught by Edir Passos of Brazil.

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Free Rabies Clinic

The Wendell Board of Health is sponsoring a free rabies clinic for dogs on Saturday, July 30th from 10:00 am to 11:00 am at the Fire Station. All dogs will be vaccinated free of charge, and dog licenses will be available. For more information call Jesse Wetherby at 4-6451.

Swimming Lessons

Swimming lessons begin on July 18th and go thru until August 5th. School children kindergarten and up are invited to attend. The lessons will be from 9 am - 11 am at Lake Wyola for Wendell residents only.

Police Log

4-30-83 10' aluminium john boat stolen from Bowen's Pond.
5-5-83 Family disturbance on Mormon Hollow Rd.
5-13-83 B&E at camp on Jennison Rd.
5-19-83 Craftsman toolbox stolen from Steve Maynard's residence on Kentfield Rd.
5-20-83 B&E at Bauman's residence on Locke Hill Rd.
5-23-83 David Walsh reported radio and tape deck stolen from car parked on Jennison Rd.
5-24-83 Minor vandalism at Swift River School.
6-2-83 Truck - deer accident on Montague Rd.
6-3-83 B&E at CCFR House and vehicle stolen.
6-5-83 Possible B&E at Wood's residence on Farley Rd., nothing taken.
6-6-83 B&E at trailor of Laurel Wilson on Farley Rd.

Fire Log

4-16-83 Chimney fire at Mrs. Herricks.
5-31-83 Mrs. Bradshaw needed oxygen.

Land Transfers

3- 8-83 Walter C. Jones to Timothy Fortune and Mary A. Persechino on Montague Rd., building and 2.30 acres.
3- 9-83 P & B Realty to William A. Suba on New Salem Rd., 15.077 acres.
3-15-83 P & B Realty to Naras Imhadevara S. Sastry on New Salem Rd., 19.402 acres.
3-15-83 P & B Realty to Robert L. Allen and Mark J. Glinner on New Salem Rd., 16.364 acres.
3-15-83 P & B Realty to Bruce S. Thornton on New Salem Rd., 21.221 acres.
3-17-83 Ruth H. Skreba to P & B Realty on New Salem Rd., 98.75 acres.
3-24-83 P & B Realty to Francis M. & Laura Doughty on New Salem Rd., 18.317 acres.
3-28-83 P & B Realty to Justin E. Streeter 54.19 acres on New Salem Rd.
4-22-83 P & B Realty to Jean Chen, trustee of Jonsen Trust, 17.184 acres on New Salem Rd.
4-26-83 Allyn W. Coombs, Inc. to Michael Brenneman and Curtis I. Seltzer 7.694 acres on New Salem Rd.
4-22-83 Ruth F. Sibley Lyman to David A. Sibley and Franklin L. Sibley, Jr. 65 acres on Jennison Rd.
5- 6-83 Edwin P. & Helen Lojander to Gary H. Gardner 25.292 acres and building on Rush Rd.
4-25-83 Lillian D. Gibbs to Susan E. Gauvin 35 acres and buildings on Kentfield Rd.

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Vital Statistics

Marriage

Congraulations to Kevin Charles Dodge of Wendell Depot Rd. and Marsha Lynn Cooley of Russell Rd., Petersham on their marriage on May 28, 1983. They exchanged vows at the Orthodox Congregational Church in Petersham.

Obituaries

Virginia Bradshaw

Virginia Bradshaw, 60, of Jennison Road, died Tuesday, May 31, at Farren Memorial Hospital in Montague. She was the wife of Wilbur F. Bradshaw, and an active participant in community life until taken ill.

She was manager of the cafeteria at Swift River School until 1982. Staff and students established close ties with Virginia Bradshaw which remained strong after she ended her work there. Staff members were deeply impressed by Mrs. Bradshaw's courage.

Virginia Bradshaw formerly managed the cafeteria at Mahar Regional High School in Orange. She also was kitchen manager at Camp Anderson in Shutesbury for more than ten years. The dining hall at the Camp is named in her honor.

She was a past president of the Parent Teacher Association in Orange, and was a member of the First Universalist Unitarian Church of Orange.

Born in Newburyport, she was the daughter of Nelson and Evelena (Morton) Nye. She came to this area in 1936.

Besides her husband, she leaves 2 daughters, Pamela Boucher of Trenton, N.J., and Sharon Connolly of Wendell; two sons, Nelson Bradshaw and Lorin Bradshaw, both of Orange; and 9 grandchildren.

The family suggest that memorial contributions be made to the ALS Association, 185 Madison Ave., N.Y., N.Y.

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Thomas Devine

He was 29 years old, and there was a song in his heart, and concern for his fellow man in his soul.

On Friday, May 6, a 25-pound metal disc fell from a truck, bounced along the roadway and smashed through the windshield of his car on Rte. 128 near the Wellesley-Neeham line. Thomas Michael Devine Jr. was killed. He died of a fractured skull.

State Police and surgeons at Newton Wellesley Hospital said it was "miraculous" that Mr. Devine had been able to pull his car over andnot injure anyone else before lapsing into unconsciousness.

Mr. Devine, a Greenfield resident, had operated the Blue Whale Lumber Co. there for five years, and on Nantucket where he was born and raised, said his mother Josephine (Brown) Devine. Her son, she said, had just opened another business in hardwood and field stone, and it was going good.

But Mr. Devine's life centered on music: as a musician, band leader and a composer.

When he was only 4 years old, his mother said, he was given a bass guitar, and he began right then playing it left handed, without the strings being changed.

By the time he was 13, she said, he had his first rock group on Nantucker, called the "St. George" and later the "Glass Image" Both groups played locally.

By the time he was 15 and traveling with his parents in Europe, he was sitting in with professional groups in such places as the Hilton Hotel in Athens, Greece, in Geneva and in London.

After his 1973 marriage to Shane Scanlin, a guitarist, the couple began performing together, calling themselves "Saving Grace" and later "Sweet Harmony". They played at resort hotels, concert halls and for private groups through 1976.

The couple had a son, Ethan, now 5.

Later, his mother said, her son began "prerecording with bands on tape...Tom was a forerunner of that trend of prerecording. He played many instruments, including guitar bass, piano, and percussion."

A verse from one of his songs, said his mother and wife, typified Mr. Devine's outlook:

Hold on, life burns like a candle,
it seems so short in the end.
A river truns into an ocean
and life gives life again.
Hold on to your dream, my friend.

"He was a very comforting person; when I got upset, he made me feel that there was nothing to get upset about. He had the weight of the world on his shoulders, and he cared about everyone's problems," his mother said.

Because of his concern for others, Mr. Devine had asked that his kidneys be donated "to save someone else." His mother also recalled his interest in the Save the Children Fund, and his plans to seek donations for the fund.

Mr Devine was a graduate of the Hebron Academy in Hebron, Maine in 1972 and a member of the Nantucket Yacht Club. Besides his wife, mother and son, he also leaves his father, Thomas Devine, proprietor of the Overlook Hotel, Nantucket, and a brother, Shaun Devine of Nantucket.

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New Salem's Old Home Day's schedule

Sat., July 16

10:00 Registration for Footrace
10:30 Fine Arts & Craft Exhibits open
10:30 Ben Stacy Family Footrace
11:00 Egg Catching Contest
11:00 Lumbermen's Contest
11:45 Parade
12:30 Waffles the Clown
12:30 Surplus Town Equipment Auction
1:30 Children's Games
2:00 Softball
2:00 Square Dancers
3-5:00 Band Concert
4:00 Academy Alumni Meeting
5:30 Town Picnic and Chicken Bar-B-Que
7:30 Cabaret

Ongoing activities: art exhibits, Quabbin exhibit, pony rides, bake sales, Ladies Aid Summer Sale, wagon rides, face painting and volleyball.

Once again, it's summer and part of summer is planning for and participating in Old Home Day. Old Home Day means different things to different people, but overall the feeling of town spirit and a day of fun and relaxation to be shared among friends and neighbors is felt by all. This year's celebration has been long in the planning stage and many activities and exhibits will be offered throughout the day to insure you of having a great time. Some of these include a parade, the egg-catching and lumbermen's contests, softball and volleyball games, live band concerts and all the home baked and crafted items that are available to buy. This year's supper is being billed as a Town Picnic. There will be tickets available to purchase a bar-b-cued chicken dinner, and those of you who wish to bring your own supper are encouraged to do so. After the picnic the evening's entertainment will take the form of a cabaret. Tables will be set up in the town hall, and while you eat home baked dessert, you will be entertained in a cabaret style. The show will start at 7:30 p.m. and tickets will be $2.00 (this price will include dessert and coffee). So all in all, July 16th promises to be full and exciting from beginning to end. Plan to spend this day with your friends and neighbors. Support your town and Old Home Day, July 16th.

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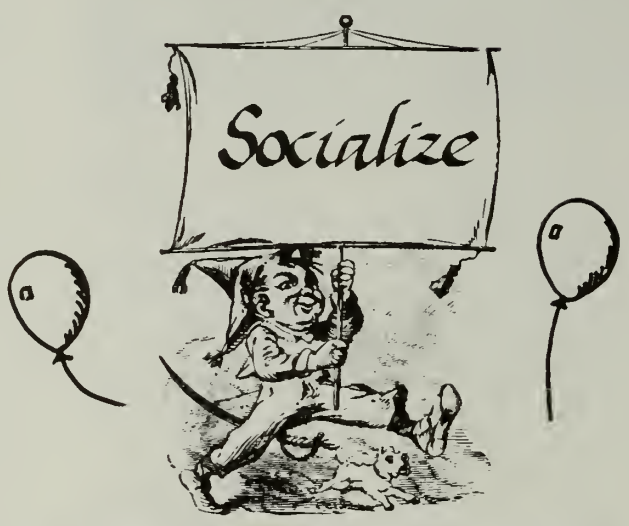

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Wendell Free Library Notes

Be sure to visit the library on Old Home Day. There will be a book sale and various items from the Historical Society's collection will be on display. As part of the Summer Film Festival, there will be children's films shown in the afternoon and a special showing of the Old Quabbin Valley.

Thanks to Tina and Bruce Cohen for putting together a fine list of films for the summer. The schedule of films is posted at both post offices and at the Wendell Country Store. Children's films are scheduled at 10:00 on Saturdays and on Fridays at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free. Your participation and support tells us if you want this to continue.

We hope to set aside a place in the library for the display of historical items. Money has been spent installing a glass cabinet. We are in the process of ordering a storage chest. Ed Judice will be showing slides of Wendell on Old Home Day; donations from this will go toward this fund. Thank you, Juanita Reed, for your contribution to this fund.

Wendell's Old Home Days schedule

Sat., August 6

AUG. 5th
7:30 p.m. Movie: THE AFRICAN QUEEN

AUG. 6th
9:30 a.m. Face Painting
10:00 Children's Parade-decorate your bikes and carriages.
10:30 Games for Children
New Games for adults and older children
11:15 Children's Enter m
11:45 Money Hunt
12:00 Adult Obstacle Course
Log Sawing Contest
Children's Games
2:00 Music
Children's Movies
Movie: THE QUABBIN
5:00 Diemand Chicken BBQ
6:00 WENDELL BICENTENIAL SLIDE SHOW by Ed Judice

A year has once again gone 'round and summer celebrations are upon us. One of my favorites is Wendell O..Home Day, when I get to spend a Saturday on the Town Common having a good time and visiting with the neighbors.

This year there will be many games and activities to participate in. Both participating and cheering others on from the side are unique ways to meet townspeople. For those less active moments there will be booths to browse through and chairs and tables set up for relaxing (bring your cribbage board!).

Town crafts and children's art will decorate the day with music and movies to entertain both young and old. There will also be a display set up where you can show off your favorite summer vegetable and flower crops. So set Saturday, August 6th aside for a special summer celebration at home in Wendell.

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